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FREDERICK COUNTY AGENCIES BENEFIT FROM ONLINE DONATIONS

FREDERICK, MD – The Frederick County Treasury encourages citizens to utilize the county's innovative service for making online contributions to various agencies. So far, the Animal Control and Pet Adoption Center and Department of Aging Meals on Wheels programs have received the most credit and debit card donations through the "donate now" link on the county website at www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/donate.

Online donations have been available since last fall to the Department of Aging to support the Meals on Wheels, lunch, transportation, caregiver respite or senior emergency assistance programs. Such tax-deductible donations help the older adults, their families and caregivers who live in Frederick County. The donation service was expanded in December to include other agencies.

Director of Treasury Diane Fox, CPA, said, "This new online service is s special feature of the Frederick County Government website that allows citizens the ability to use credit and/or debit cards for donations. So far, in addition to the Department of Aging, the donations are primarily going to the Animal Control and Pet Adoption Center. Many other agencies can also receive donations through the service. Donors can click on the 'donate now' link on the website, choose the agency they want, and then go to the 'make a donation' link to start the process. In addition, information is listed for non-county organizations such as the food bank, health access and the Maryland cancer foundation to direct citizens to these agencies to find out how to make donations."

This online service makes it much more convenient for citizens to make donations and supplement taxpayer support for such Frederick County agencies as the Department of Aging, Animal Control, Child Advocacy Center, Parks & Recreation, TransIT Services and Workforce Services.

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